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SUBJ: PROBLEMS OF COMMUNISM

1. GOA HAS SENT EMBASSY NOTE INFORMING US THAT NOV/DEC 73 ISSUE OF PROBLEMS OF COMMUNISM IS "NOT QUALIFIED FOR DISTRIBUTION". NOTE FOLLOWED ORAL DEMARCHE MADE BY MFA DEPUTY PRESIDENT OF INFORMATION RAHI TO POLICHETTI MAY 15. EARLIER WE INFORMED MFA BY NOTE OF INTENTION TO DISTRIBUTE AS REQUIRED BY GOA REGULATIONS. THIS FIRST TIME GOA INFORMED OF INTENTION DISTRIBUTE MATERIALS TO AFGHANS WHO NOT GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

2. WHEN POLICHETTI ASKED RAHI WHY GOA OBJECTED, WAS TOLD THERE WERE ARTICLES ON USSR AND YUGOSLAVIA IN ISSUE AND GOA DID NOT WISH TO RUN RISK OF PROTESTS FROM THEM. POLICHETTI POINTED OUT SCHOLARLY NATURE MAGAZINE. RAHI AGREED AND SAID THAT HE KNEW MAGAZINE AND MADE POINT OF READING IT WHEN STATIONED U.S. BUT GOA DECISION FIRM.

3. LOW KEY NATURE PROHIBITION UNUSUAL (RATHER THAN NORMAL FARHANG-VERNER CHANNEL) AND MAY INDICATE SOME EMBARRASSMENT ON PART OF AT LEAST SOME MFA OFFICIALS.

4. WE PROPOSE DISTRIBUTE ISSUE TO FOREIGN EMBASSIES ONLY AND NOT DISTRIBUTE THIS ISSE TO AFGHANS. WE ARE DELETING NON-OFFICIALS

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(FOUR) FROM DISTRIBUTION LIST OF PROBLEMS OF COMMUNISM FOR JAN/FEB

AND FUTURE ISSUES, THUS ELIMINATING NEED INFORM GOA OF DISTRIBUTION.
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